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Louisiana Natural & Scenic River System **SCENIC RIVER PERMIT #883**

Issue/Effective Date: November 19, 2013

Scenic River: Bayou Des Allemands

Recipient: NiSource / Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC
c/o CH2M Hill
Attn: Blake Amos
Eleventh Avenue South, Suite 320
Birmingham, AL 35205

Description: Remediation of an exposed 1,900' section of 12" natural gas pipeline.

This permit is issued by authority of Part II of Chapter 8, Title 56 of the LRS of 1950 as amended and re-enacted regarding the Louisiana Natural & Scenic Rivers System and the administrative procedures pertaining to the management of these watercourses designated as Scenic Rivers.

The permit is issued by the Administrator with the understanding that the recipient in implementation of the proposal will proceed in compliance with, and not significantly deviate from the provisions contained in the petition for the permit and any special conditions attached hereto. The permit holder is expected to minimize adverse impacts to the structural and functional integrity of the natural systems and aesthetics associated with the Scenic River where the activity is occurring so as to preserve the fundamental character and purpose for which the System was established.

The Administrator assumes no responsibility for or incurs no liability for any injury to persons or property caused by any act of the permit holder or his agent in the permission granted by this permit. In addition to the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, the petition was given a full and thorough evaluation by the Louisiana Departments of Agriculture & Forestry; Culture, Recreation & Tourism; Environmental Quality; and the Office of State Planning and Budget. If during the review process objections were made to the proposed activity, those objections were either found to be insignificant or they have been included in the conditions of the permit.

This permit shall expire if the permitted activity has not begun within 18 months of the "Issue Date" indicated above.

Compliance with these conditions is necessary for this permit to be valid:

- 1) This project must be carried out in a manner consistent with the design that the applicant submitted during the permit process. Should significant physical modification to the project become necessary during implementation of the project or after its completion, the permit holder will submit a letter of explanation within one week of discovery to the Administrator to determine if another petition will be required.
- 2) Adequate erosion control measures shall be implemented to insure that no sediments, pollutants, and/or construction related debris/materials are allowed to enter Bayou Des Allemands, whether directly or indirectly, as a result of this construction.
- 3) If during project activity, any sensitive archaeological, biological or botanical element is encountered, activity will temporarily cease and the permit holder will contact the Administrator to determine the disposition of that element or artifact.
- 4) All other applicable permits not contingent upon this permit from governmental entities will be acquired and their conditions implemented with fidelity. Applicant has title to the property or permission from the landowner to implement the project.
- 5) Rip rap used in the implementation of this project shall be free of protruding metal reinforcement (e.g., rebar) and be head sized (approximately 10" to 16").
- 6) To ensure that this project does not pose a hazard to navigation, day or night, the entire length of this project accessible from Bayou Des Allemands shall be marked with appropriate, Coast Guard approved markers.
- 7) All structures built under the authorization and conditions of this permit shall be removed from the site upon abandonment of the facilities for the herein permitted use, or when these structures fall into a state of disrepair such that they can no longer function as intended. This condition does not preclude the necessity for revising the current permit or obtaining a separate Scenic Rivers Permit, should one be required, for such removal activities. In such an event, the applicant shall contact the Scenic Rivers Coordinator to determine how best to proceed with material removal.
- 8) The permittee shall allow representatives of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to make periodic inspections to ensure the activity being performed is in accordance with the conditions of this permit.

If you need any additional information, you may contact Mr. Keith Casio, Scenic Rivers Coordinator in the Monroe Office, at (318) 343-4045.



Robert J. Barnham
Administrator